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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations U.S House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

As you begin crafting the fiscal year 2022 bill, I respectfully request that you please consider the following funding priority:

- 1. I am requesting a fiscal year 2022 funding level of \$5,178,202 for US 190 4-Lane Divided Highway with Grassy Median between Hearne, Texas and Bryan, Texas as a community project funding request. The community is concerned about fatal traffic accidents on Highway US 190 in the 17<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Texas from Hearne, Texas to Bryan, Texas, and believes that Texas Department of Transportation including 4 lanes of divided highway with a grassy median separating the northbound and southbound lanes of traffic along its entire 10.98 mile length is necessary to save lives. This project will be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will greatly enhance safety of travelers who use this route to access work, school, medical care and their families between Brazos and Robertson Counties, Texas. The intended recipient is the Texas Department of Transportation located at 125 E. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Austin, Texas 78701.
- 2. I am requesting a fiscal year 2022 funding level of \$5,000,000 for the FM 2154 (Wellborn Road) / FM 2347 (George Bush Drive) Interchange as listed on the Bryan-College Station Metropolitan Planning Organization's City Master Throughfare Plan. This project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will improve safety and mobility, and minimize noise, flooding, and additional right-of-way needs. This community project is supported by the Texas A&M University Association of Former Students, 12th Man Foundation, the College Station Independent School District, the City of College Station, and the City of College Station Neighborhood Association, the Texas A&M Mothers' Clubs, the Texas A&M University Transportation Services Advisory

Committee, and the Bryan/College Station Chamber of Commerce. The intended recipient of this community project funding request is the City of College Station, Texas located at 1101 Texas Ave. College Station, TX 77840.

3. I am requesting a fiscal year 2022 funding level of \$4,000,000 for FM 1179 East Widening from FM 158 to Steep Hollow Road as a community project funding request, which will benefit the City of Bryan, Texas and its residents through continued economic development opportunities by supporting the significant residential growth and need for improved traffic safety in eastern Brazos County, Texas. The FM 1179 East Widening from FM 158 to Steep Hollow Road project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will widen the roadway from a two-lane rural road section to a four-lane divided urban major arterial road, thereby alleviating traffic congestion and improving roadway safety. The intended recipient of this community project funding request is the City of Bryan, Texas located at 300 S. Texas Avenue, Bryan, TX 77803.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in the projects described above.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Pete Sessions (TX-17)

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Member of Congress